

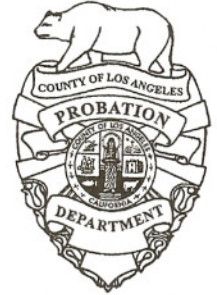


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March 31, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION TO FUND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR PROBATION AND FORMER PROBATION YOUTH (3-VOTES) ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS

SUBJECT

Dr. Dale Laurance has made a donation of \$24,000 to fund scholarships in his name for current or former probation youth to pursue higher education opportunities.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Accept a monetary donation in the amount of \$24,000 from Dr. Dale Laurance to fund scholarships in his name for current or former probation youth to pursue higher education opportunities.
2. Instruct the Chairman to prepare and send an appropriate letter of appreciation to Dr. Laurance.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

In accordance with County policy, donations with a value in excess of \$10,000 require acceptance by your Board. Dr. Dale Laurance, of the Laurance Family Foundation is providing a donation of \$24,000 that exceeds this amount. Approval of the above recommendation will allow the Probation Department to accept the donation in support of providing academic scholarships to probation youth who are pursuing their college

education. Dr. Laurance has been providing scholarships to deserving probation youth for approximately ten years.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended Board actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan, Goal #1, Service Excellence Goal, and Goal #5, Children and Families' Well-Being.

FINANCIAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The monetary donation of \$24,000 will provide academic scholarships for current or former probation youth in pursuit of higher education goals. The monetary donation will be deposited in the Department's VISTO-Success is Our Future trust account.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

State law authorizes acceptance of gifts for specific County purposes in Government Code Section 25355.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The donation by Mr. Laurance constitutes an ongoing effort to assist the Department's support of educational achievement for Los Angeles County Probation youth.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval, it is requested that the Executive Officer/Clerk of the Board send a copy of the adopted Board Letter to: Probation Department, Attention: Tasha Howard, Director, Contracts and Grants Management Division, 9150 E. Imperial Hwy. Rm. B83, Downey, CA 90242

Respectfully submitted,



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County Counsel